GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY
LOK SABHA

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Development of Wind Energy
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Will the Minister of NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether any steps have been taken by the Union Government for the development of wind energy in the State of Andhra Pradesh including Guntur district, which has the highest potential for development of wind power;
(b) if so, the details thereof; and
(c) if not, the reasons therefor?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR POWER, COAL, NEW AND RENEWABLE ENERGY & MINES (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) (SHRI PIYUSH GOYAL)

(a) to (c): The Government is promoting wind power projects in the country, including Andhra Pradesh, by providing various fiscal and financial incentives. In the current year, the State is leading in wind power capacity addition with 612.30 MW wind power capacity already having been added till 30.11.2016.

The National Institute of Wind Energy has assessed the wind power potential in the country at 100 meter above ground level. As per the assessment, in Andhra Pradesh, it has over 44.2 GW capacity wind power potential, which mainly exist in southern parts of the State, consisting of Ananthapuramu, Kadapa, Kurnool, Chittoor and Nellore districts. The Guntur district does not have adequate wind power potential/sites for commercially feasible wind power projects.
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